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MATTER OF: Pearce Trawick Contractors

DIGEST:

Protest concerning small business size status is not for consideration by GAO since exclusive authority to determine such matters for federal procurement purposes is statutorily vested with the Small Business Administration.

Pearce Trawick Contractors protests the award of a small business set-aside contract to Davis Insulation Company under invitation for bids (IFB) No. DACA01-84-B-0033 issued by the Department of the Army for family housing energy improvements at Fort Rucker, Alabama. Pearce Trawick alleges that Davis Insulation is in fact the alter ego of Acorn Window Company which is other than a small business.

Under 15 U.S.C. § 637(b)(6) (1982), the Small Business Administration has exclusive authority to determine matters of small business size status for federal procurement purposes. Therefore, this Office will not review questions of a bidder's small business size status. See Industrial Lease Inc. of Fayetteville, B-204446, August 31, 1981, 81-2 CPD 191.

The protest is dismissed.

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